

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN BRUCE SIMON**, on January 13, 1999 at 8:00 A.M., in Room 312 - 2 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Bruce Simon, Chairman (R)
Rep. Bob Pavlovich, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Paul Sliter, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Joe Barnett (R)
Rep. Rod Bitney (R)
Rep. Sylvia Bookout-Reinicke (R)
Rep. Roy Brown (R)
Rep. David Ewer (D)
Rep. Carol C. Juneau (D)
Rep. Billie Krenzler (D)
Rep. Bob Lawson (R)
Rep. Gay Ann Masolo (R)
Rep. Gary Matthews (D)
Rep. Joe McKenney (R)
Rep. Carolyn Squires (D)
Rep. Jay Stovall (R)
Rep. Cliff Trexler (R)
Rep. Carley Tuss (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Stephen Maly, Legislative Branch
Pati O'Reilly, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 122, HB 196, HB 200, HB 201, HB 202 - POSTED 1/7/99
Executive Action: HB 196, HB 201, HB 202, HB 122

HEARING ON HB 202

Sponsor: Rep. Cobb, HD 81, introduced HB 202,
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 70}

Proponents:

Frank Cote, Deputy Insurance Commission, State Auditors Office.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 70 - 104}

Opponents:

John Cadby, Montana Bankers Assn.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 104 - 145}

Keith Colbo, Montana Bank Executive Assn.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 145 - 171}

Bob Pyfer, Montana Credit Union League
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 171 - 192}

Andy Poole, Deputy Director of Dept. of Commerce
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 192 - 202}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Reps. Ewer and Simon questions Don Hutchinson, Mt. Banking
Commissioner.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 202 - 275}

Rep. Simon questions Cadby.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 275 - 310}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Cobb closed HB 202.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 310 - 371}

HEARING ON HB 196

Sponsor: Rep. Cobb, HD 81 introduces HB 196.
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 371 - 402}

Proponents:

Gary Willis, Montana Power Company
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 402 - 428}

Opponents: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Cobb closed HB 196.

HEARING ON HB 201

Sponsor: Rep. Cobb, HD 81 introduced HB 201. **EXHIBIT**(buh09a01) and **EXHIBIT**(buh09a02)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 468 - 500}

Proponents: Steve Blewett, Department of Justice

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 7}

Opponents: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Cobb closed HB 201

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 7 - 10}

HEARING ON HB 200

Sponsor: Rep. Cobb, HD 81 introduced HB 200. **EXHIBIT**(buh09a03)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 10 - 50}

Proponents:

Jerry Driscoll, Montana Contractors Assn.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 50 - 70}

Gene Fenderson, MT Joint Highway Commission

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 70 - 80}

Don Judge, Montana AFL-CIO

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 80 -90}

Opponents:

Tami Jo Ruther - Montana Contractors Assn.

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Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. Masolo questions Rep. Cobb and Kevin Brown.

Rep. Squires & Simon questions Tami Ruther.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 100 - 155}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Cobb closed HB 200.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 155 - 166}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 196

Motion/Vote: Rep. Masolo moved that HB 196 **DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 166 - 171}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 201

Motion/Vote: Rep. Sliter moved that HB 201 **DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 171 - 187}

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 202

Motion: Rep. Tuss moved that HB 202 **DO PASS**.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 187 - 216}

Motion/Vote: Rep. Tuss moved that HB 202 **BE AMENDED**. Motion carried unanimously.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 200 - 294}

Motion: Rep. Tuss moved that HB 202 be adopted **AS AMENDED**.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 294 - 352}

Motion/Vote: Rep. Bitney moved that HB 202 **BE TABLED**. Motion carried 12-7 with Ewer, Juneau, Krenzler, Matthews, Sliter, Squires, and Tuss voting no.

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 352 - 500}

HEARING ON HB 122

Sponsor: Rep. Jore, HD 73 introduced HB 122. **EXHIBIT** (buh09a04) **EXHIBIT** (buh09a05) and **EXHIBIT** (buh09a06)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 170}

Proponents:

Greg Hagenston, President of Montana Right to Work Committee.

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 170 - 229}

Rep. Bob Davies, **EXHIBIT**(buh09a07)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 229 - 263}

Casey Emerson, Bozeman employer

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 263 - 351}

Gary Christie, small business owner,

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 351 - 460}

Micheal O'Halleron, Bozeman, MT

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 460 - 467}

Rep. Darrel Adams, HD 84

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 467 - 500}

Roger Koopman, President Montana Trustees of Freedom

EXHIBIT(buh09a08)

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 119}

Opponents:

Don Judge, Montana AFL-CIO **EXHIBIT**(buh09a09), **EXHIBIT**(buh09a10),
EXHIBIT(buh09a11), **EXHIBIT**(buh09a12), **EXHIBIT**(buh09a13),
EXHIBIT(buh09a14)

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 119 - 220}

Gene Fenderson

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 220 - 238}

John Forken, Montana Building and Construction Trades Council

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 238 - 318}

Susan Wortman, Montana District Council of Laborers

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 318 - 338}

Mickey Boosa, Montana Transfer, Butte, MT

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 338 - 353}

Fran Marceau, State Director of Montana Transporters

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 353 - 387}

Eric Feaver, MEA and Montana Federation of Teachers

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 387 - 436}

Ronnie Blocker, Boilermakers Union

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Don Kinman, State Employees Union

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 457 - 487}

Vernal Bertlesen, Montana Senior Citizen Assn. **EXHIBIT**(buh09a15)

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 487 - 490}

Bill Antonich, Operating Engineers

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 490 - 500}

Ron de Young, Montana Farmers Union

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 10}

Sharon Hoff-Brodowy, Montana Catholic Council **EXHIBIT**(buh09a16)

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10 - 20}

Wendy Young, WEEL - Working for Equality & Economic Liberation

EXHIBIT(buh09a17)

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Joe DeLay, Billings, Montana

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 30 - 43}

Christine Kaufman, Human Rights Network

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 43 - 58}

Rep. Molner

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 58 - 67}

Ryan Kelly, Hotel and Restaurant Employees

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 67 - 68}

Carol Hardin- HERD

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 68 - 70}

Rebecca Moe, Montana Women's Lobby

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 70 - 71}

Tom Snyder, Montana Public Employees

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 71 - 78}

Stan Dupree

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 78 - 90}

Brian Tippe, Missoula, MT

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 90 - 100}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

Rep. Sliter questions Nate Moes.

{Tape : 3; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 100 - 127}

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Jore, closed HB 122

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EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 122

Motion/Vote: Rep. Tuss moved that HB 122 **BE TABLED**. Motion carried 14-4 with Barnett, Bitney, Sliter, and Trexler voting no.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:55 A.M.

REP. BRUCE SIMON, Chairman

PATI O'REILLY, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (buh09aad)